## In the Claims:

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) <u>An [[I]]informatics equipment system</u> for an actor in a logistic chain of production or processing of <u>food</u> products, <u>more specifically of food products</u>, <u>characterized in that it comprises</u>, <u>the system comprising</u>:

the <u>a creation</u> means to <u>create for creating</u> document models based on heading modules and attribute modules <u>for a document</u>, said document models being comprised on the one hand, of at least one heading (R1, R2 and R3) and, on the other hand, of at least one attribute (A1, A2 and A3) for each heading, comprising <u>a data base</u> <u>an attribute database</u>, at least one of the attributes being a link to another document,

the an acquisition means for acquiring the documents with interfaces for acquiring the values (V1, V2 and V3) of the headings and attributes, and

upon each acquisition of a document, the <u>a transmitting</u> means to transmit for transmitting the information acquired from the link/s to a traceability data base, said transmission transmitted information being preferably conducted via a <u>communications</u> network of the Internet type.

- 2. (currently amended) Equipment—The system according to claim 1, characterized in that it comprises further comprising the an assignment means to assign for assigning to each attribute a right of access to third parties.
- 3. (currently amended) Equipment The system according to claim 2, eharacterized in that 1 comprising further comprising the an assignment means to assign a right of access to third parties, comprises the means, for each third party, to establish a right of access selected from the group that comprises: the right to read, the right to read and write, and denial of access.
- 4. (currently amended) Equipment The system according to claim 1, 2 or 3, characterized in that it comprises the further comprising assignment means to assign to each attribute a traceability index so that the attribute constitutes a point of entry for a traceability search for another actor.
- 5. (currently amended) Equipment The system according to one of the preceding claims, characterized in that it comprises the 1 further comprising assignment means to assign to each attribute a search criterion characteristic or

means not to assign one.

- 6. (currently amended) Equipment The system according to one of the claims 4 and 5, characterized in that it comprises 1 further comprising the means to issue a search request based on at least one traceability index and on at least one search attribute.
- 7. (currently amended) Equipment The system according to one of the claims 1 through 6, characterized in that it comprises further comprising the an assignment means to assign to each attribute a parameter format, a list format or a table format.
- 8. (currently amended) Equipment The system according to one of the preceding claims, 1characterized in that it comprises the further comprising means to make the attribute be of a type selected from within the group that comprises simple attributes determined by direct acquisition, calculated attributes determined by calculation with the aid of other parameters, attributes extracted from other documents or files, and composite attributes, a composite attribute being a set of ordered attributes.
- 9.-(currently amended) Equipment The system according to one of the claims 1 through 8, further comprising the means to receive specification sheets consisting in the identifiers of operations or of products to be used, or of parameters or of ranges of parameters, and comprising the means to verify that the operations committed to memory with the aid of said informatics equipment system are in compliance with the specification sheets.
- 10. (currently amended) The System system according to one of the preceding claims 1 to link multiple informatics equipment, preferably by way of the Internet network, of actors in a logistic chain of production or processing of products, more specifically of food products, comprising a platform which includes the following:

a data base traceability database with traceability intended to receive attributes from informatics equipment from each actor in the logistic chain, attributes comprising the identifier of an operation to be conducted, the identifier of the operator, information pertaining to the date the operation was conducted and the identifier of an operation to be conducted immediately upstream and/or downstream of the concerned actor,

an data base access database memorizing for storing the rights of access of each actor to the information stored in the data bases databases specific to other

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actors, and

a data base <u>routing database</u> for routing providing the information needed for routing the information between the actors in function of, on the one hand, data provided by the traceability data base <u>database</u> and, on the other hand, in function of the data base with the rights of access.